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Third Sunday in  
**Easter**



The Church of Scotland

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*Third Sunday of Easter, April 14, 2024*

**Prelude** *The Dance of the Blessed Spirits*

Christoph Willibald Gluck (1714–1787)

**Introit** **CH4 150:** *Sing to God with gladness*

**Welcome**

**Call to worship**

Glory to you, O God:

on Easter day you won victory over death,  
raising Jesus from the grave  
and giving us eternal life.

**Glory to you, O Christ:**

**for us and for our salvation you overcame death  
and opened the gate to everlasting life.**

Glory to you, O Holy Spirit:

you lead us into the truth.

**Glory to you, O blessed Trinity,  
now and forever. Amen.**

**CH4 420** *Earth, earth, awake: your praises sing*

**Prayer**

**All-age talk**

**CH4 149** *Let all creation dance in energies  
sublime* (Brian Wren)

**Scripture** *Acts 2:44-47* *Life among the believers*

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**CH4 27** *I will always bless the Lord* (Psalm 34)

**Scripture** *1 John 3:1-3*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we

are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

*Luke 24:36b-48*

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

**Sermon** *The Easter mystery*

**Music for reflection** *Deep Indigo*, Geoff Warren

**CH4 430** *Christ has risen while earth slumbers*

**Offering**

**Music** *Erschienen ist der herrlich Tag*

(Here shining is the splendid day)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

**CH4 807** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

**Prayer of dedication**

**Prayers of the people:**

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

**The Lord's prayer**

**CH4 519** *Love divine, all loves excelling*

Blessing and threefold **Amen**

**Postlude** *Golden Wanderings*, Geoff Warren

*Welcoming elder:* Nicola Hollyman  
*Ushers:* Jason Leger, Sherree Atkinson  
*Reader:* Peter Tulloch  
*Flute:* Judith Peacock  
*Organ and piano:* Rebecca MacDonald  
*Choir:* Páraic Réamonn

## **Notices**

**April 20** *Souffle de Printemps 2024*,  
Auditoire, 18h00, retiring collection  
Paul Goussot, *The Dawn* by FW Murnau  
Film concert with organ: [aoa-calvin.ch](http://aoa-calvin.ch)

**April 21, 13h30** *Future Focus 3!*

The third of our Sunday afternoons, in which together we shall put flesh on our plans for our future as a congregation. After the morning service, we shall serve a quick lunch of soup and bread and cheese.

**April 27** *Souffle de Printemps 2024*,  
Auditoire, 18h00, retiring collection

*Ahh 3!* Stefanie Scheuner, Elisabeth Hubmann,  
Zeltzin Perez

Piano, harpsichord, organ: [aoa-calvin.ch](http://aoa-calvin.ch)

**May 2-5** *Cursillo #77* A weekend of reflection on  
our Christian life at *Le Cénacle* ([cenacle.ch](http://cenacle.ch))

For more, visit [genevacursillo.org](http://genevacursillo.org), website of the  
Geneva Ecumenical Cursillo Community.

**May 4** *Souffle de Printemps 2024*,  
Auditoire, 18h00, retiring collection

*Before Bach, after Bach, Bach above all!*

Els Biesemans, organ: [aoa-calvin.ch](http://aoa-calvin.ch)

**June 9** Annual congregational meeting



*Join us afterwards in the Salle Théodore de  
Bèze for coffee or tea!*

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